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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) are the specification and claims of the nonprovisional patent application of:

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for

Inventors

RECORDING MEDIA INCLUDING CODE FOR ESTIMATING POWER CONSUMPTION

Title of Invention

APPLICATION ELEMENTS ENCLOSED:

1. ☒ Specification (total pages 30) including:
  - a. 13 pages of claims (39 claims)
  - b. 1 page Abstract
2. ☒ 8 sheets of ☒ informal ☐ formal drawings (Figs. 1-11)
3. ☐ Oath or declaration of Applicant(s) (      total pages)
  - a.      Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b.      Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Item 14 completed)
4. ☐ Deletion of Inventor(s)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
5. ☐ Incorporation By Reference  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied in item 3b is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

APPLICATION PARTS ENCLOSED:

7. ☐ An assignment of the invention to Ricoh Company, Ltd. (cover sheet & document(s))
8. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)
9. ☐ Power of Attorney
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10. \_\_\_ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449

\_\_\_ Copies of IDS Citations

11. \_\_\_ A Preliminary Amendment

12. X Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)

13. \_\_\_ A small entity statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27

\_\_\_ Statement filed in prior application, status still proper and desired

14. X If a Continuing Application, *check the appropriate box and supply the requisite information:*

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15. \_\_\_ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line of page one: --This is a \_\_\_ continuation-in-part of application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_.--

16. X Priority of application No. 8-159543 filed in Japan on June 20, 1996. Applicant hereby claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

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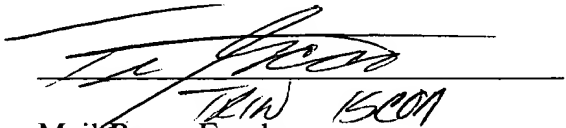
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